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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated July 23, 2008, concerning the above-referenced patent application. As the shortened statutory reply period expires on October 23, 2008, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

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